

August 30 Questions

- 1) Lamentations answers this question: 'How should God's people respond to the terrible judgment that had fallen on them because of their wickedness?' First, they should realize how _____ they had fallen. In the past, Jerusalem had been "full of people," "great among the nations," "a _____ among the provinces," "the perfection of beauty," "a _____ to all the earth," filled with "precious things," and mighty in its "strongholds." This greatness had not come from their own strength or power; it had come from God's _____. Second, they should recognize what had brought about their destruction: "The LORD has afflicted her for the multitude of her _____" (Lam 1:5). The city's devastation was not due to the sin of one generation. It was the result of generation after generation of wickedness, where _____ embraced their parents' legacy of idolatry, murder and perversion. Third, they should _____ the pain of God's judgment. This was not a punishment to be shrugged off. This was a grief to be _____, a grief that should cause their eyes to run with _____ (Lam 1:16).